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SUBJECT: RWANDA AND BURUNDI: 26 JULY SECURITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT

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2. THIS IS AN ACTION REQUEST - PARA 9

RWANDA

3. U/SYG GHAREKHAN REPORTED TO THE COUNCIL JULY 26 THAT RWANDAN GENERAL KAGAME HAS ASSURED THE SYG'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE KHAN THAT RWANDA SUPPORTS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY TO INVESTIGATE ATROCITIES. KAGAME ALSO SAID HE WOULD WELCOME A DECISION BY THE UN TO DEPLOY HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORS IN RWANDA. LESS ENCOURAGING, KAGAME INFORMED KHAN THAT THE AFRICAN FORCES PARTICIPATING IN OPERATION TURQUOISE UNDER FRENCH COMMAND WOULD NOT BE WELCOME TO REMAIN IN CONFIDENTIAL

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BURUNDI - COUNCIL TO CONSIDER PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT

- 4. GHAREKHAN GAVE A DETAILED BRIEFING ON THE SITUATION IN BURUNDI (A WRITTEN COPY OF WHICH HE LATER PROMISED TO PROVIDE COUNCIL MEMBERS). HE TERMED THE SITUATION FRAGILE BUT NOT EXPLOSIVE.
- 5. BURUNDI'S ARMY HAS BEEN ORDERED TO WATCH OVER HUTU NEIGHBORHOODS TO ENSURE WEAPONS DO NOT ENTER. THREE HUTU-DOMINATED AREAS NORTH OF BUJUMBURA HARBOR EXTREMIST AND ACTIVIST GROUPS, ACCORDING TO GHAREKHAN. THE GOVERNMENT'S INVESTIGATION INTO THE OCTOBER MASSACRES HAS CAUSED DISSATISFACTION ON BOTH SIDES--HUTUS VIEW IT AS UNFAIRLY BIASED AGAINST THEM; TUTSIS FEEL IT IGNORES THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR INSTIGATING THE MASSACRES FOLLOWING THE COUP.
- 6. AS REPORTED REFTEL, SUCCESSION TALKS CONTINUE TO BE MARRED BY EVER-MOUNTING PRECONDITIONS IMPOSED BY THE TUTSI OPPOSITION. THE SITUATION IS FURTHER COMPLICATED

BY A TUTSI FORMER PRESIDENT CALLING FOR SEPARATE HOMELANDS FOR TUTSIS AND HUTUS.

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7. GHAREKHAN CALLED THE REFUGEE SITUATION DRAMATIC BUT MANAGEABLE, WITH SOME 100,000 IN THE NORTHERN PROVINCE. BURUNDI IS UNABLE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE SECURITY FOR THE CAMP, AND CONSEQUENTLY POLITICAL KILLINGS CONTINUE. HE CONCLUDED HIS BRIEFING BY WARNING AGAINST CONFIDENTIAL

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PAGE 04 USUN N 03083 01 OF 02 270112Z COMPLACENCY-BURUNDI IS POTENTIALLY AS VOLATILE AS RWANDA.

8. THE U.S., FRANCE, SPAIN, OMAN, DJIBOUTI, NEW ZEALAND AND NIGERIA ALL SPOKE IN FAVOR OF A PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT CALLING ON THE PARTIES TO NEGOTIATE IN GOOD FAITH, RECOGNIZING MAJORITY RULE WITH DUE REGARD TO THE RIGHTS OF MINORITIES. PAKISTAN WILL CIRCULATE A DRAFT STATEMENT WEDNESDAY, JULY 27. A UNSC WORKING GROUP WILL CONSIDER IT THURSDAY, FOR ADOPTION EITHER LATE THURSDAY OR FRIDAY. MISSION WILL FAX DRAFT TEXT TO IO/UNP AND AF/CA.

SYG REQUESTS U.S. ASSISTANCE DISPOSING OF RWANDAN DEAD

9. ACTION REQUEST: THE UN SYG CALLED AMBASSADOR ALBRIGHT EARLIER IN THE DAY TO REQUEST PERSONALLY U.S. ASSISTANCE IN DISPOSING OF 30,000 RWANDAN VICTIMS OF CHOLERA. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S PROMPT ATTENTION TO THIS REQUEST.

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10. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.

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